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COMMUNICATION IN RESPONSE TO JANUARY 17, 2008 NOTIFICATION OF DEFECTIVE RESPONSE

This Communication is being file in response to the January 17, 2008 Notification to Defective response issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) in connection with the above-identified application. A response to this Notification is due on February 17, 2008. Accordingly, this Communication is being timely filed.

In response to the issued Notification, Applicants hereby submit as **Exhibit A** (17 pages) a corrected Sequence Listing, with the appropriate revisions elaborating on the item "223" relative to "artificial" sequences throughout the sequence listing.